



15th October 2021



Worship and Liturgy - In the Gospel on Sunday, we will hear James and John ask to sit by Jesus' side in heaven, but Jesus says he is not able to give them these seats. The other disciples start to get cross with James and John,

because they felt that James and John were showing off, presuming themselves to be the best and most important disciples. We will be asking the children to think about their actions and whether they are humble? Jesus said that the greatest disciple was not the one who went around showing off his power, or money, or things, but rather that the greatest disciple must be like a servant - humble and helping others in all that they do. This week we are asking out children to think about:

How can we be humble witnesses of Christ?

Celebrations this week

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| Whole | schoo | ol is | 92% |

Top class for attendance is Foundation 98%

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Crew Member of the Week

F- Kacie- Captain Cain for super effort and investigation skills when exploring 3D shapes

- 1. Tommy- Saylor Sam- persevering with his addition
- 2 Alivia Sailor Sam for persevering effort with handwriting
- 3 Laviane Lieutenant Louise for excellent reflection on her learning.
- 4 Jenson Captain Cain for superb effort in his learning.
- 5 Lucy-Sailor Sam for perseverance in all lessons, especially English.
- 6 Giulio Lieutenant Louise explanation of Darwin's theory of evolution!

Witness of the Week -Temperance



- 1 -Clay
- 2. Dolly
- 3 Kayla
- 4 Laila
- 5 Faith
- 6 Inayah



What is temperance?

This week we have been focussing on looking for children who have great humility, honesty, kindness and compassion.

Parents Evening

Next week, we will be hosting parents evenings. Please arrive through the main front door and head towards your child's classroom. You will be able to sit and wait there, look at your child's books before the teacher will come and invite you into the meeting which will take place in a smaller group room. The windows will be open, so please wear something warm! And we also ask that you wear a face covering during your time in the school. If you have not yet signed up, you can do so by contacting the school office. We want to see every parent!

Inappropriate games

It has been brought to my attention that children in our school are playing games in school that they are learning through a series on Netflix called SQUID GAMES. The series shows adults playing games, and if they lose, it shows some quite graphic scenes. I am concerned that some of our children even know about this, let alone playing it on our playground. Can I urge you all to ensure your permissions on Netflix are on and that you speak with your child/ren about the appropriate programmes and/or series they should be watching.

School Photos

Tempest photography will be in on Monday morning to take the children's photos. They will be individually photographed and will also have one taken with their siblings. These will be available for you to purchase in the forthcoming weeks.

Plymouth PANTS Week in school

As mentioned last week, we engaged in PANTS week in school and our youngest children had a very special visitor on Wednesday. Pantosaurus had a great time visiting our school.











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Pantomime

It is proving very difficult to organise transport for the pantomime. I am still hoping that we will be able to transport the children to the theatre, but it is likely we will be asking for the children to be collected from the Theatre Royal once the panto finishes. There is just under three months until we go, so please put the date in your diaries and start making plans for this.

Dogs

I am keeping this paragraph in this week as I saw two dogs on site but was busy with other parents to speak to people. I did though see a dog tied up by the fence whilst a parent quickly dropped their child off and then collected their dog after. Thank you.

I love dogs! I have two of my own. Many children also love dogs. However, there are still quite a few people who don't. Please do not bring dogs onto the school site. This has always been a general rule for all schools. If you have a genuine reason for a dog to be on site, please come and speak to me.

Staffing news

Mrs Potter is not far away now to her baby's due date. This week we appointed Mrs Iacoban who will be starting with our staff team, covering Mrs Potter's maternity role.

We are also extremely sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Faith who has secured herself a new job at Montpelier Primary School. This is most definitely a case of 'our loss, their gain'. When I started in September 2015, Mrs Faith was a 1:1 TA supporting a child in my class before she made the transition to being a class based TA. She has been absolutely amazing in supporting our children and our families and she will be really missed. We have an advert out at the moment to find a replacement.





Dates for your diaries

18th October - School photos. Individuals and siblings.19th and 20th October - Parents Evenings.

22nd October - Celebration Assembly 2.45pm

1st November - SCHOOL CLOSED STAFF TRAINING.

2nd November - First day of Autumn 2 Term

9th December - International Christmas Market

10th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

6th January - PANTO! Late collection.

EMAILS TO PARENTS

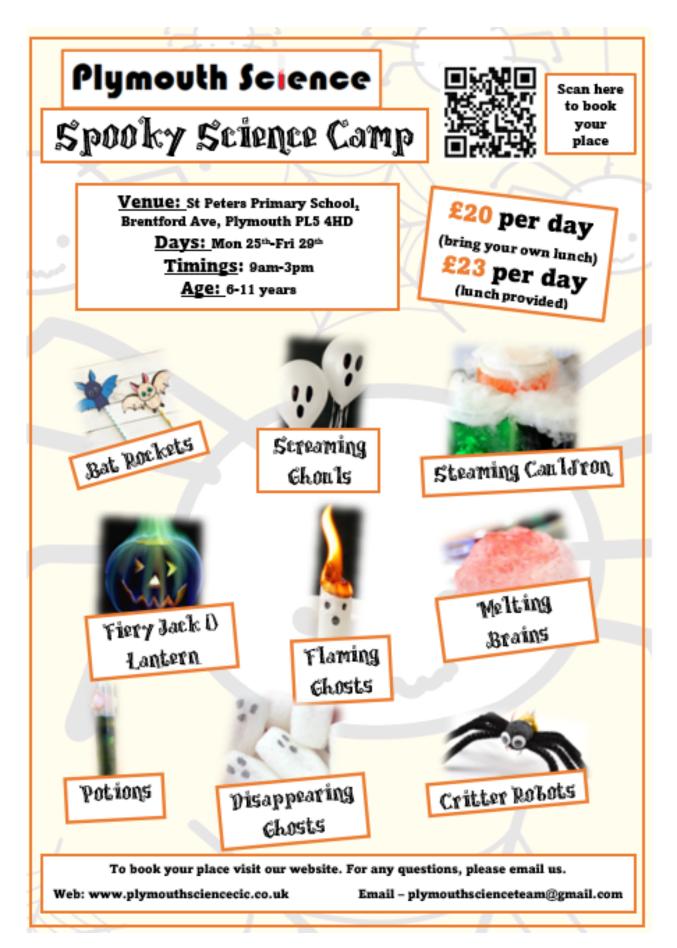
We would like to take this opportunity to apologise. We have had some technical difficulties and as a result our class emails, school emails and newsletters have not been received. While we get this

back up and running, please make sure to get your class and school information from our website www.st-josephs.plymouth.sch.uk/website





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